MAYOR & COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

MEETING DATE:

August 7, 2006

CALL TO PODIUM:

Tony Tomasello

RESPONSIBLE STAFF:

Tony Tomasello Assistant City Manager

AGENDA ITEM:

(please check one)

	Presentation
	Proclamation/Certificate
	Appointment
	Public Hearing
	Historic District
	Consent Item
	Ordinance
X	Resolution
	Policy Discussion
	Work Session Discussion Item
	Other:

PUBLIC HEARING HISTORY:

(Please complete this section if agenda item is a public hearing)

Introduced	
Advertised	
Hearing Date	
Record Held Open	
Policy Discussion	

TITLE:

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PATTON BOGGS, LLP TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES TO ASSIST IN SEEKING FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CITY PROJECTS (\$90,000)

SUPPORTING BACKGROUND:

In 2005 the City executed an agreement with Patton Boggs, LLP to assist in our efforts to secure federal funds in support of several important initiatives. The City was extremely fortunate to receive three awards under the federal 2006 budget, which authorized \$1,120,000 for the extension of Teacher's Way in Olde Towne, \$49,000 for law enforcement equipment and \$112,000 to purchase a new Senior Center bus.

The City is pleased with the results to date and would like to continue working with Patton Boggs to support the following federal 2007 requests:

\$400,000 for the Olde Towne Youth Center;

\$330,000 for additional law enforcement technology;

\$200,000 in matching funds for the construction of the Observatory interpretive park;

\$ 96,250 for two water quality management structures at Pubic Works.

Approval of this Resolution will allow us to retain the firm for Fiscal Year 2007. Once the federal budget has been finalized and signed by the President, staff will report back to the Mayor and Council with an update on this year's awards.

DESIRED OUTCOME:

Vote on Resolution

Resolution Request Form

REQUEST FORM FOR RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO EXPENDITURES FROM THE CITY BUDGET (CONTRACTS/PURCHASES, TRANSFER FUNDS)

(Please attach the Mayor and Council Agenda Cover Sheet to this Form. For contracts/purchases, the Cover Sheet MUST include a list of all bidders and bid amounts.)

Requested by: Tony Tomasello Date of City Council Meeting: _August 7, 2006
AUTHORIZING
Negotiate/ Purchase Award Contract _X Transfer Funds Execute a Contract
BID INFORMATION:
Advertisement Date
Newspaper(s)
Bids Opened/Tabulated (date)
DESCRIPTION OF ITEM(S): (Be specific; include quantity, item name, model number, etc.)
Consulting Services for Federal Funding.
CONTRACTED/PURCHASE FROM: Company Name: Patton Boggs, LLP
Street Address 2550 M Street, NW
P. O. Box Number
City/State/Zip Washington, D.C. 20037
CONTRACT/PURCHASE AMOUNT: \$_90,000
Check One: In the Amount of Not to ExceedX
FUNDS TO BE EXPENDED FROM: Operating Budget _X Capital Improvements Budget
Account Number:1 1 911:580000 (For Finance Department use only; not to be included in the Resolution)
VERIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS Available Not available
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RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PATTON BOGGS, LLP TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES TO ASSIST IN SEEKING FEDERAL FUNDING FOR CITY PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Strategic Plan of the City of Gaithersburg includes a goal of seeking an equitable share of funding from other levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that assistance in seeking funding from the federal government is appropriately performed by an independent consulting firm; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council, in developing its Strategic Plan, determined that it would be in the best interests of the City to retain a consultant to assist in seeking federal funding for various City projects; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Patton Boggs, LLP was originally retained in February of 2005, and has provided outstanding service to the City since that time; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has determined that retention of Patton Boggs, LLP for Fiscal Year 2007 is in the best interest of the City:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of Gaithersburg, that the City Manager be and he hereby is authorized to execute an agreement with Patton Boggs, LLP, 2550 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20037, to provide consulting services to assist in seeking federal funding for City projects, in an amount not to exceed Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000); said fund to be expended from the Operating Budget.

ADOPTED by the City Council this 7th day of August, 2006.

SIDNEY A. KATZ, MAYOR and President of the Council

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council in public meeting assembled on the 7th day of August, 2006.

David B. Humpton, City Manager